11. Creating innovative solutions through the Basel Convention for the environmentally sound management of household waste

<u>Decision</u>: BC-13/14: Creating innovative solutions through the Basel Convention for the environmentally sound management of household waste

Background:

In decision BC-13/14, the Conference of the Parties, among other things, decided to establish a working group of the household waste partnership that will be responsible for overseeing organizational matters pertaining to the implementation of the partnership's activities, including the establishment of project groups and review of their work products and reports, serving as a forum for information sharing and taking the lead in awareness-raising, outreach and coordination in relation to activities undertaken by the partnership. The Conference of the Parties also adopted the terms of reference of the household waste partnership¹, which defines that membership of the working group is open to Parties and signatories to the Basel Convention, municipalities, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations including private sector and academia dealing with the different aspects of waste management as well as manufacturers, academia, public-interest groups, and Basel and Stockholm Convention Regional and Coordinating Centres for Capacity Building and Technology Transfer (BCRCs/BCCCs, SCRCs) which have specific expertise and experience required for the activities of the partnership. Members of the working group representing a Party or a signatory to the Convention shall be represented by an official from a ministry or agency which is concerned with the subject matter of the partnership.

In order to set up a first list of members and initiate the work of the working group, Parties and others are invited to indicate their interest to join the group.

Follow up:

| Call for information | Respondents | Method of submission | Deadline for submission |
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| Parties and other stakeholders are encouraged to indicate their interest to become member of the working group of the household waste partnership | PartiesOther stakeholders | Please send indication of interest to the Secretariat via the contact point provided below. | No deadline specified; please submit indication of interest by 31 August 2017 in order to facilitate the initiation of the work of the working group. |

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¹ UNEP/CHW.13/INF/33/Rev.1.